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SUBJ: UNIFILS STRENGTHENING LEBANESE GOVERNMENT PRESENCE IN
THE SOUTH

REF: USUN 1952

BELIEVE URQUHART HAS MISLAID EMPHASIS IN HIS STATEMENT
(REFTEL PARA 3) THAT GOL WILLINGNESS TO MOVE SOUTH IS
CONTINGENT ON FULL ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL. WE BELIEVE MORE
IMPORTANT REASONS FOR GOL HESITATION ARE THE FUNDA-
MENTAL INDECISIVENESS OF THE PRESENT GOL LEADER-
SHIP (AND ITS CONSEQUENT UNWILLINGNESS TO DO ANYTHING
THAT ENTAILS RISKS), FEAR THAT MOVE SOUTH WOULD LEAD
TO FIGHTING WITH PALESTINIANS AND LEBANESE LEFTISTS THAT
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WOULD SPLIT THE LEBANESE ARMY AGAIN INTO CONFESSIONAL
FACTIONS, FEAR OF PALESTINIAN RETALIATION IN BEIRUT,
AND ORGANIZATIONAL INABILITY OF THE ARMY TO GET ITS SHOW
ON THE ROAD. ISRAELI WITHDRAWAL IS OF COURSE ESSENTIAL,
FOR A NUMBER OF REASONS, BUT WE SHOULD BE UNDER NO ILLUSIONS
THAT IT WILL AUTOMATICALLY LEAD TO A SERIOUS EFFORT BY
THE GOL TO ASSERT ITS AUTHORITY IN THE SOUTH. LANE

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